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1. The Chinese Communist Government has not been able to spare highly qualified and competent persons for the take-over of Canton. While YEH Chien-ying and CH'EN Keng are regarded as highly competent leaders, the balance of the liberation personnel is of low caliber. For example, LI Fan-fu (李凡夫), who is next to YEH and CH'EN in influence on the Commission, has had no other significant administrative experience than membership on the Manch'ang Military Control Commission. It is impossible to send more qualified persons from other places liberated earlier, because they are needed to keep going work already begun.
2. Although competent leadership is spread thin, particularly persons with technical and administrative training, the Communists will employ only trusted party members in important posts. The principles followed in selecting persons for important posts are, in order of importance: Ideological consistency in terms of CCP doctrines; affiliation with the core of the Party and, technical skill. It is felt that technical skills can be readily acquired by men in responsible positions, as may be required. Until a new bureaucracy is trained in the schools, the present administrators will continue as best they can, relying on the advice of Soviet technicians and advisers. This process doubtless delays reforms and change, but it is essential that there be no over-reliance on non-Communists in order to safeguard the leadership of the party.
3. The Communists feel in great need of the continued existence of privately supported educational institutions, for the new government will not be able to support such institutions for some time to come. There will be no interference with private schools unless "dissenting elements get out of hand."
4. The standard of living of educational workers is to be raised, and educators as a class will receive better treatment than other classes, for "Communism is not egalitarianism," and educators are needed. No educator's past history will be held against him, if he will be anti-feudal, anti-imperialistic and will support the Party. Organs of Party indoctrination, including "self-criticism" groups, will be set up in the faculties of all schools.
5. The Party is setting up "universities" to train students for political work

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of various kinds. This is a temporary emergency measure, designed to recruit and train personnel needed in the initial stages of the take-over. These institutions have been called "universities" only to attract students. It is admitted that the training given therein is superficial at best. When personnel trained by regular universities is available, the persons trained in these temporary schools will be re-educated or discharged. Fourteen hundred students have been recruited and entered in the temporary "university" for political workers in Canton. Of these, 40 volunteered from Lingnan University. Of this 40, one was a B student, three were C students, and the balance were not doing passing work.

6. The Communists discipline students who are not amenable to the usual faculty controls. Since the occupation of Canton, students who have quarrelled with faculty directives have been referred to the Canton Military Control Commission. In each case, the Commission has taken the side of the faculty.
7. The main theme of CCP propaganda in Canton is Sino-Soviet friendship. This line is stressed in the press and in virtually all public statements of Communist leaders. More intensive indoctrination is achieved through the Sino-Soviet Friendship Association.
8. In developing this theme, there is tremendous emphasis on the might and power of the USSR. There is particular stress on the idea that the USSR leads in modern science and technology, and so masters the world. This has a very great appeal to the average Chinese, and the idea is driven home by illustrated literature on Soviet scientific achievements, as well as by excellently contrived motion pictures, which are widely available and widely shown.

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